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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 63 with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention therefore provides a method of modulating the interaction between hOSM and gp130 and LIFR and/or OSMR β which method comprises providing a Site II antagonist capable of modulating (i.e. inhibiting or blocking) the interaction between Site II of hOSM with gp130 and providing a Site III antagonist capable of modulating (i.e. inhibiting or blocking) the interaction between Site III of hOSM and OSMR and/or LIFR, and gp130 (for binding of a second OSM molecule).

~~) displays synergy compared to modulating the interaction of either of these two sites alone.~~

Please delete the second paragraph on page 63, which starts with "The present invention therefore provides..."